will positively be charged. PROFESSIONAL CARDS.

R. P. H. STAUB, Attorney and Counsellor at Law, OFFICES 45 St. Paul Street, Baltimore, Md. PRACTICES in the Courts of Baltimore, Md.

PRACTICES in the Courts of Baltimore, Baltimore County, Court of Appeals of Maryland and Supreme Court of United States. Special attention given to Collecting in and out of the State.

REFERENCES:
National Union B suk of Baltimore.
Wm. Devries & Co.
National Bank, Martinsburg, West Va.
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Carroll. Adams & Neer, Baltimore.
Oct. 31, 1871-tf. REFERENCES:

RENRY L. BROOKE. | [St. Geo. T. BROOKE [DANIEL B. LUCAS.] BROOKE & LUCAS, ATTORNEYS AT LAW,

Charlestown, Jefferson Co., IV. Va. H AVING this day entered into partnership in the practice of the law, we will attend regularly all the Courts of Jefferson, and the Superior Courts of Berkeley, Morgan, Clarke and Frederick counties. September 1, 1872-tf.

WM. II. TRAVERS. ATTORNEY AT LAW, Charlestown, Jefferson County, Virginia WILL practice in the District Courts of the United States for the District of West Varginia.— Particular attention paid to cases in Bankruptcy.
July 30, 1870.

SAMUEL J. C. MOORE, ATTORNEY AT LAW, Berryville, Clarke County, Virginia,

CLEON MOORE, ATTORNEY AT LAW,

Charlestown, Jefferson County, West Va., WILL undertake cases jointly in the Courts of both of said Counties. May 28, 1872.

FRANK BECKWITH. ATTORNEY AT LAW, Charlestown, Jefferson County, West Va. OFFICE on Main street, over Drug Store of C. E. February 11, 1873-1y.

COOKE & KENNEDY, Attorneys at Law Charlestown, Jefferson County, W. Va., TILL practice in Jefferson and adjoining Coun re- Office first door West of "Carter House."
April 12, 1870—tf.

E. WILLIS WILSON, ATTORNEY AT LAW. Harper's Fery, Ja erson Co., WEST VIRGINIA.

Will practice in the Courts of this and the ad-joining Counties. Aug. 17, 1870.

CHARLES DAVIES, ATTORNEY AND COUNSELLOR AT LAW, Harper's Ferry, West Virginia, Will attend to business in all the Courts of this State. June 4, 1872.

DR. C. T. RICHARDSON, Physician & Surgeon, CHARLESTOWN, VIRGINIA. HAVE taken an Office on Main atreet, (first door East of Mason's Drug Store), where I can be

found during the day. At night messages she sent to my residence, corner of Liberty and June 27, 1871-tf.

C. T. RICHARDSON, M. D. DR. B. B. RANSON.

PHYSICIAN AND SURGEON,

OFFICE at residence, on the corner of Churles and Liberty strents.

April 15, 1573-tf.

DR. A. F. SMITH. DENTIST,

TENDERS his services to the citizens of Charlestown and vicinity. Office at residence. Full upper sets of Teeth, from \$12 to \$20; partial do., \$5 to \$10. Fillings, from Slupwards. Extracting only 50 cents. All work warranted, and satisfaction guaranteed.

##- References when required.

May 14, 1872-19.

Druge. Drugs. VINE undersigned having lately purchased the interest of Dr. J.A. Straith, in the firm of Geo. T Light & Co., will be constantly adding to his stock of

BRUGS, MEDICINES AND CHEMICALS, at their old and well-known stand on Main street, where can also be obtained a complete assortment of

DYE STUFFS, WINDOW GLASS,
PAINTS, PUTTY,
superior Coal, Lubricating, Sperm. Lard and Linseed Oils, all of which will be sold as low as tre
Eastern markets will afford; also Coal Oil Lamps,
China Vasus, Toilet Sets, Faucy Atticles, Fine Perfumeries of the most popular kinds. Pomades fumeries of the most popular kinds. Pomades, Ring's Ambrosia. Burnett's Cocoaine, Stonebraker's Hall's and Chevalier's Hair Restorers and Renewers, also a large stock of

PATENT MEDICINES. SCHOOL BOOKS AND STATIONERY, embracing all of the most popular and reliable re-inedies, and also the latest Novels and finest kinds

of Stationery.

Of-As the quality of Medicines is always of the greatest importance both to the Physician and his Patients, we make it our constant care to secure none but the purest Medicines, and by his long experience in the retail business, he is prepared to fill Physicians' Prescriptions and Compound Medicines according to the latest and strictest rules of Pharmacy. The public can confidently selved. Pharmacy. The public can confidently rely on having their prescriptions carefully and accurately prepared at all hours of the day and night N. B.—I take this occasion to return my sincere thanks for the very large patronage bestowed upon me by the community.

me by the community, and to express my grateful acknowledgment of the high appreciation of my fellow-citizens of my efforts to serve them; trusting that I may be able in the future to render entire eatisfaction to all who may favor me with their sup port and confidence. GEO. T. LIGHT: February 20, 1872. Julius C. Holwes.] [HENSY D. RUST

Holmes & Rust BUILDERS AND CONTRACTORS. Charlestown, Jefferson Co., W. Va.

HAVING formed a Cc-partnership for the purpose of energetically conducting the business of House Building and Carpentering generally, hereby notify the citizens of the county of Jefferson that they are ready for and solicit orders, and by promptitude, faithful work and moderate charges, expect to make it advantageous to all to employ them. January 21, 1873-tf. .

COAL AND WOOD YARD.

WASHINGTON & LIPPITT Will keep on hand a constant supply of COAL of all kinds, and Sawed and Split WOOD, which they will furnish and deliver in quantities to suit customers, for Cash. Orders left at Yard. corner Samuel street and R. & O. R. R.

(25-Cash paid for Bones.

June 10, 1873-1y.

P.

Our New Ploughs. WE are manufacturing a large tot of them and we guarantee satisfaction in every case or no ale. WEIRICK & WELLER.

January 4, 1871.

\$5 to \$20 per day! Agents wanted! All classes of working people, of either sex, young or old, make more money at work for us in their spare moments, or all the time, than at anything clse. Particulars free. Address G. Stin. son & Co., Portland, Maine. Sep. 17, 72-1y.

TRY the Arctic Soda Water at Mason's Drug Store. The best in town.

Seffetsum.

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CHARLESTOWN, WEST VIRGINIA, TUESDAY, DECEMBER 9, 1873.

NO. 49.

POETICAL

EVANGELICAL ALDIANCE.

Ye men of God, of every pame and tongue Where Christ's commands are known, His praise

One Triune God—His living presence here Enlightens all our thoughts, our path make

clear; One Home beyond—there dwells eternal peace, Where creeds are one and questionings may

We humbly bow, as Thou hast taught to pray: Be Thou our manna—yea, our Truth and Way. "Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done," our

Unite our hearts, till we are One with Thee!

MISCELLANEOUS.

MADE TO "SEE IT."

CAN'T see it," said Buffer. "Nobody reads all these little advertisements.—

"But," said the editor, "you read what in-

"And if there's anything that you particu-

"Well, among the thousand upon thou-

sands who help to make up this busy world

of ours, everything that is printed is read .-

Sneer as you please, I do assure you that printer's ink is the true open sesame to all

And still Buffer couldn't see it, He didn't

believe that one half of those little, crowded

"Suppose you try the experiment," said the editor. "Just slip in an advertisement

of the want of one of the most common things'

of the world. For the sake of the test I will

give it two insertions free. Two will be

enough; and you may have it jammed into

any out-of-the-way nook of my paper you shall select. Two insertions, of only two

Buffer said of course he would try it, and

he selected the place where he would have it

published -- crowded in under the head of

of his advertisement, which appeared as fol-

WANTED.—A good House Dog. Apply to J. Buf-fer, 575 Towser st., from 6 to 9 o'clock, P. M.

Buffer went away smiling and 'nodding .-

On the following morning he opened his pa-

per, and after a deal of hunting, he found his

conspicuous. Certainly so insignificant a paragraph, buried in such a wilderness of

a time, however, it began to look more no-

ous to him. But it could not be so to others.

That evening Mr. Buffer was just sitting

down to tea (Buffer was a plain, old-fashioned

man, and took tea at six) when his door bell

was rung. The servant announced that a

Six times Buffer was interrupted while

taking tea by men with dogs to sell. Buffer

was a man who would not lie. He had put

his foot in, and he must take it out manfully.

The twenty-third applicant was a small boy,

with a girl in company, who had a ragged,

dirty poodle for sale. Buffer bought the

poodle of the boy, and immediately presented

To the next applicant he was able truth-

fully to answer, "Don't want any more. I've

The stream of callers continued until near

ten o'clock, at which hour Buffer locked up

and turned off the gas.

On the following evening, as Buffer ap-

proached his house, he found a crowd as-

sembled. He counted thirty nine men and

boys, each one of whom had a dog in tow. -

There were dogs of every grade, size and

color, and dogs of every quality of whine, yelp, bark, growl and howl. Buffer ad-

dressed the motley multitude, and informed

And Buffer got his hat knocked over his

eyes before he reached the sanctuary of his

Never mind about the trials and tribula-

tions of that night. Buffer had had no idea

that there were so many dogs in existence.-

With the aid of three policemen he got

through alive. On the next morning he vis-

ited his friend the editor, and acknowledged

the corn. The advertisement of "wanted"

was taken out, and in the most conspicuous

place, and in glaring type, he advertised that

he didn't want any more dogs. And for this advertisement he paid. Then he went home

and posted upon his door - "Gone into the

Country." Then he hired a special police-

man to guard his property; and then he locked up, and went away with his family.

From that day Joseph Buffer has never

been heard to express doubts concerning the

efficacy of printer's ink; neither has he asked

- A lot of minstrels went to a town not

far away and advertised to give a perform-

ance for "the benefit of the poor, tickets

reduced to ten cents." The hall was cram-

med full. The next morning a committee

for the poor called upon the treasurer of the

concern for the amount said benefit netted .-

The treasurer expressed astonishment at the

"I thought," said the chairman of the com-

mittee, "you advertised this concert for the benefit of the poor."

the tickets down to ten cents, so that the poor

Replied the treasurer: "Didn't we put

- Uncle .- "Now, how did the mother of

- A accomplished bar-keeper in New Or-

- Virginius was a Roman, and the Vir-

leans mixes drinks in six different languages.

Moses hide him?" Niece .- "With a stick."

[New York Ledger.

"Who reads advertisements?"

them that he had purchased a dog.
"Then what 'yer advertise for?"

it to the girl, and then sent them off.

bought one."

man was at the door with a dig to sell.

"Tell him I don't want one."

advertisement. At first it did not seem at all

WANTS." And he waited and saw a proof

It's preposterous to think it."

larly want, you look for it?"

advertisements were ever read.

lines. Will you try it?"

terests you?"

business success."

STIEFF'S PIANOS.

BALTIMORE CARDS.



UPWARDS OF FIFTY FIRST PREMIUMS. GOLD AND SILVER MEDALS, Were awarded to CHAS. M. STIEFF, for the best PIANO, in competition with all the leading Manufacturers of the country.

OFFICE AND WAREROOMS, No. 9 N. Liberty Street, Baltimore, Md. The superiority of the Unrivalled Stieff Piano Forte, is conceded by all who have compared it with others. In their New Grand Square Scale, 73 Octaves, the manufacturer has succeeded in making he most perfect Piano Forte possible.

Prices will be found as reasonable as consistent

Prices will be found as reasonable as consistent with thorough workmapship.

A large assortment of Second Hand Pianosalways on hand, from \$75 to \$300.

We are agents for the celebrated Burdett Cabinet, Parlor and Church Organs, all styles and prices to suit every one, guaranteed to be fully equal to any made.

Send for Illustrated Catalogue, containing names of over 1,500 Southerners, (500 of whom are Virginians, 200 North Carolinians, 150 East Tennesseeaue, and others throughout the South,) who have bought the Stieff Piano since the close of the war.

April 8, 1873.

PERSONAL.

NOAH WALKER & CO, The Celebrated Clothiers of Baltimore Announce the introduction of a plan of ordering CLOTHING AND UNDERWEAR BY

LETTER, To which they call special attention. They will send on application their improved and accurate RULES FOR SELF MEASUREMENT, and a full line of samples from their immense stock of Cloths, Cassimeres, Coatings, Shirtings, &c., thus enabling parties in any part of the country to order their Clothing and Shirts direct from them, with the certainty of receiving garments of The Very Latest Style

And Most Perfect Fit attainable. Goods ordered will be sent by Express to any part of the country. As is well known throughout the Southern States they have for Forty-three Years excelled in all departments of their business, which is a substantial guarantee as to the character of the Goods they will send out. A large and well assorted stock of

READY-MADE CLOTHING always on hand, together with a full line of FURNISHING GOODS including all the latest novelties in design, and

AT POPULAR PRICES When Goods are sent per Express C.O.D., there will be no collection charge on amounts of \$20 and over. Rules for self-measurement, Samples of Goods and Price List free on application. The attention of the Trade is invited to our Wholesale Department, which is always kept up to the highest standard.

standard.
NOAH WALKER & CO., Manufacturers and Dealers in Men's and Boy's Clothing and Furnishing Goods, either resdy-made or made to order. 165 and 167 Baltimore Street,

SAPPINGTON HOTEL Charlestown, Jefferson Co., W. Va.

BALTIMORE, MD.

AVING lossed the Sappington Hotel for a term of years, and having re-turnished it handsomely from Basement to Attic, it is now open for the accommodation of the public.

The TABLE will be bountifully supplied with all the luxuries and substantials that the City and Country markets afford. Country markets afford.

The BAR will be supplied with only Choice Li-

None but polite and attentive Servants will be employed, and nothing shall be left undone that will contribute to the comfort and pleasure of guests. The STABLE is commodious and will be attended by an experienced Oatler.

A PORTER will attend all the trains to conduct visitizes the U. visitors to the Hotel, and to transport baggage, &c.

Late of Washington County, Md. Det. 1, 1872. MOUNTAIN VIEW HOTEL, (Late Shenandosh,)

Harper's Ferry, West Va. Situated at the junction of the H. & O. and the W. & P. railways, and commanding from every point magnificent views of the surrounding country.

Tablis House, located in the centre of some of the finest scenery in the world, has been altered, repaired, refitted and refurnished throughout, and is now open to the public. As a Summer Resort the House is unparalleled. Jefferson's Rock, Maryland Heights, Shannondale Springs, and other places of interest, are in the immediate neighborhood. ces of interest, are in the immediate neighborhood Carriages, Horses, &c., for hire.

The traveling public, generally, are assured that they will find Mountain View one of the most conthey will find Mountain View one of the most con-venient, comfortable and elegant bouses in this sec-tion of the country. JAS. T. REED, Sup't. J. Jeese Moone, Proprietors.
July 16, 1872.

McSherry House. No. 25, Queen Street,

MARTINSBURG, W. VA. 805- Porter and Hack at every train for the accom modation of guests.

JAMES U. McSHERRY, Prop'r. JAMES H. M. JNO. F. McINTVRE, Clerk. May 20, 1873-tf.

B. K. JAMISON & CO., SUCCESSORS TO P. F. KELLY & CO.,

Bankers and Exchange Brokers. NORTHWEST CORNER OF Third and Chestant Streets, June 25. 1873-1y. PHILADELPHIA.

EDW'D J. EVANS & CO., NURSERYMEN AND SEEDSMEN. YORK, PA. CF-CATALOGUES MAILED TO APPLICANTS .- CO

Refer (by permission) to Hon. J. S. Black, Washington, D. C., Weiser, Son & Carl, Bankers, York, Pa. June 3, 1873-6m.

DRILLS. DRILLS.—I would call attention of Farmers needing Drills to the Keller and Bickford & Huffman. I place these goods on the market knowing that they have no superior—and of that I'll let the farmer be the judge. I can supply all orders for these goods, the supply being always country the demand

orders for these goods, the supply being always equal to the demand.
July 8, 1873.

NEW Crop Turnip Seed for sale by
July 8, 1873.

ON hand sud for sale, several styles of Summer Lap Dusters.

JAS LAW. HOOFF.

JAS LAW. HOOFF. June 3, 1873.

PATENT Self-Heating Charcoal Smoothing Iron, for sale by JAS. LAW. HOOFF.

I OG POWDERS.—My powders were thoroughly tested two years ago and gave general satisfaction, and am now preparing the same powder. I would advise all to use them both as a preventive and one. August 12, 1873. GEO. T. LIGHT.

CIRCULATING LIBRARY.—To accommodate the reading community, I have reduced the price to 10 cents per week in advance. Any Book to read for that sum. GEO. T. LIGHT.

CONDENSED Beef for Children, and Invalide enerally, has no superior as a neurisher. For sale by W. Sf MASON.

August 5, 1873.

BANK DIRECTORY. First National Bank of Jefferson AT CHARLESTOWN.

BANKING BUSINESS.

Officers. COLIN C. PORTER, President. SAM'L HOWELL, Cashier. J. V. SIMMONS, Teller.

Discount Day --- T uesday. Bank of Charlestown. Officers.

J. W. GRANTHAM, President, ORGE A. PORTERFIELD, Cashier, JOHN PORTERFIELD, Teller. Discount Day --- Friday. AGENTS.

The following gentlemen are duly authorized to receive ADVERTISING and SUB-SCRIPTION for the "Spirit of Jefferson," and to collect and receipt for the same : GEO. D. McGLINCY-Shepherdstown. JOHN P. KERFOOT - Martinsburg. CHAS. R. LEE-Berryville. JOEL W. ROBERTS-Middleway. ADAM LINK, Jr .- Duffields Depot. JAS. W. BARNHART-Unionville. M. W. Burn-Brown's Shop.

E. H. Roberts-Kearneysville.

HENRY S. LEAGUE-Lectown.

TO TRAVELERS.

JOHN W. DALGARN.

WINCHESTER, POTOMAC & HARRI-SONBURG DIVISION, B. & O. R. R. TIME TABLE.

TRAINS GOING SOUTH. Leave Harper's Ferry at Halltown, Charlestown, A. M. A. M. P. M. P. M. 5 25 10 40 1.25 6.23 6 06 10 56 1.51 8.30 6.28 11 07 2.13 8.49 6.50 11.18 2 35 8.59 7.12 11.29 2.58 9.09 7.12 11.18 2.35 7.12 11.29 2.58 P. M. 9.00 12.13 5.00 10.57 1.06 6.35 P. M. Cameron's, Summit Point, Winchester, Arrive at Strasburg 9.45 Arrive at Strasburg 10 57 1.06 P. M.
Arrivo at Har'nburg 5.25 3.30 TRAINS GOING NORTH.

Leave A.M. A.M A.M, P.M. 700 1.40 630 11.39 4.03 P.M. Strasburg at Winchester, 5.00 9.00
Summit Point, 5.33 9.56
Cameron'a, 5.44 10.12
Charlestowa, 5.55 10.28
Halltown, 6.06 10.56
Arrive at H. Ferry, 6.22 11.25 3.40 4.44 5.02 5.20 5.39 6.05 Train leaving Charlestown at 10.25, A. M., connects at Harper's Ferry with Mail Trains East and West, which pass over the Old Route to and from Baltimore. Other trains pass over the Metropolitan

branch.

Fast Freight, No. 7 leaves Strasburg at 8.30 P. M.

—passes Charlestown at 12.24 A. M., and reaches
Harper's Ferry at 1.20 A. M.

Fast Freight, No. 8, leaves Harper's Ferry at
11.10 P. M., passed Charlestown at 12.24 A. M., and
strive at Strasburg at 3.58 A. M. A. B. WOOD, Agent, Harper's Ferry.
THOS. R. SHARP,

Master of Transportation: BALTIMORE AND OHIO RAILROAD. SCHEDULE of Passenger Trainsarriving and de-parting at Harper's Ferry Station :

TRAINS GOING WEST. Cincinnati Express via Washington. 10 26. A M. Mail Traig " " old tr'k 12,60
Winchester Acc's " " 5.05 TRAINS GOING EAST.

TRAINS GOING EAST.

Cincinnati Express via Washington... 8.04, A. M.

St. Louis Express via Washington... 7.05, P. M.

Mail Train via Old Track to all points. 1.05, P. M.

Winchester Ac'n "... 6.45, A. M.

Trains on Main Stem make close connections at

Harper's Ferry with trains running on W. P. & S.

Division to Strasburg and points farther South.

At Hagerstown Junction with trains for Hagerstown, &c. own, &c.
Through Tickete to all promisent points West, South, East and North.

Ticket Office open for all passenger trains, day and night. Comfortable facilities for waiting passengers. A. B. WOOD, Agent,
Harper's Ferry, Nov. 3, 1873.

GEÖRGE II. HAGLEY, Mauufacturer of Ladies' and Gents', Buys' and Youths', Misses' and Children's BOOTS, GAITERS AND SHOES,

Of all Styles and Grades,

H AVING now permanently located in Charlestown, has just purchased a large and well put up Stock of the VERY BEST MATERIAL. including superior French Calf-Skins, Moroccos, Alligator, English Ben Sole, &c. His determination is to make the best quality of work, and whilet he offers many thanks to those who have assisted him in building up his trade here, he has determined to spare no efforts to increase the same to its utmost extent.—

Terms Cash.

At Duffield's, we have just nurchased our Fall Of all Styles and Grades, Terms Cash.

At Duffield's, we have just purchased our Fall Stock - Broots, Shoes, Hosiery, Gloves, Underwear, Confectionery, &c. Also a large supply of Leather.

G. H. & J. T. HAGLEY.

October 21, 1873—adMy131y.

FIRE! FIRE! AT BROWN'S SHOP.

THE undersigned would inform his friends and the public generally that he is still at the above named stand, and will continue to manufacture to order Boots, Shoes, Gaiters, &c. Special attention given to STITCHED BOOTS AND LADIES' WORK. None but the best material used, and all work guaranteed. Repairing neatly done, and at moderate rates. Orders filled promptly March 18, 1873—1y. M. B. MILLER.

TO ALL CONGERNED! HOUSE PAINTING, GRAINING, PAPER HANGING, &C.

OHN N. WHITTINGTON again proffers his services to the public, for the speedy execution and in the most artistic style, of any work in the HOUSE PAINTING. WALL PAPERING, FURNITURE RENOVATING, or CHAIR CANING line. Prices reasonable, and satisfaction guaranteed. Thankful to his friends for the encouragement of the past, he confidently hopes, from enlarged experience and increased facilities for the execution of his business, to receive a reasonable proportion of the work in his line.

to receive a reasonable properties.

(A)—Shop in basement, next door to Mr. John Ashbaugh's Tailoring establishment, Northwest corner of Liberty and Lawrence sta.

July 29,1873—3m.

J. N. W. JAMES W. BUTT,

HOUSE JOINER AND CARPENTER, Charlestown, W. Va. Charlestown, W. Va.

Charlestown, W. Va.

Charlest o execute every variety of work in his line, and will undertake and complete contracts in the shortest possible space of time. By promptness, reasonable charges and good work-manship, he hopes to merit a continuance of public patronage. Orders left at the "Spirit" Office will receive prompt attention.

October 28, 1873—6m.

October 23, 1313-5m.

TO FARMERS and MACHINISTS. -I have just received a prime article of Lubricating Oil, which we are selling at 60 cents per gallon W. S. MASON.

MOORE'S Hog Cholera Remedy, prepared according to original recipe, at Aug. 5.

MASON'S Drug Store.

STATIONERY a speciality. Paper and Envelopes of all kinds, the best stock of Fancy Goods in the Lower Valley. Come and see.

June 24, 1873.

W. S. MASON.

SILVER Sosp, for Silver, sold by
August 12, 1873. GEO. T. LIGHT.
DURE Sherry, Madeira, Port, Hock and Claret
Wines, sold by GEO: T. LIGHT.

Spirit of Jefferson.

Charlestown, Jefferson County, West Va. TUESDAY MORNING, DECEMBER 9, 1873.

LETTER FROM NEW YORK.

Thanksgiving - Turkeys - Fantastics - Black Eyes, and other Interesting Studies.

NEW YORK, Nov. 27, 1873. Dear Spirit: -To-day is Thanksgiving in New York. I finished my thanks at 10 o'clock this morning, so now I'll write your readers a few words concerning the joviality of New Yorkers on this memorable day. Thanksgiving is a propitious day for barrooms, but a very unpropitious one for turkeys and geese. On this day their bones are destined to commingle with the dust, after hav-ing formed "wish-bones" for the sentimental ladies, who place them over the door-ways .-The only man that I saw render thanks, to-day, lives next door. He and his wife had some misunderstanding about an absent shirtbutton. The anxious husband used impressive if not elegant language, which called forth equally impressive replies from his spouse, who to render her speech more striking, brought her hands into requisition, thereby manipulating the domestic growler so thoroughly, that he lost the centre of gravity and deposited himself at the foot of the stairs. In two seconds, she was drawing his hair through her hands-well, not in a manner likely to produce pleasurable feelings. A friend, passing down the stairs extricated him from the talons of his incensed better-half. He rendered thanks : "Neighbor, thou hast rendered me a kindly office. My only wish is that I will have occasion to find thee in a similar position, that I may draw thee from similar clutches." His rescuer did not express a like wish. This was all within doors. I was peeping out of the window at a few children, that were pressing their dear little fingers together, in order to keep them warm

by the friction, when a friend slapped me on

the shoulder, thereby nearly knocking my

head through the pane of glass. These salutations are frequent if not agreeable in New York. Why, sometimes a friend'll jump over your head (when you have your back turned) and then turn with a smile and inquire the state of your health. But about that friend who administered the thunderclap; he said : "Ex, come ole boy, and take a walk, till we see the ragamuffins." I took two things-a walk and segar! The fantastics or ragamuffins. Who are they? "That's the question," as Hamlet says. Well, they are not delegates who come to the Evangelical Alliance, and are sojourning here for the benefit of their health. They're "roughs," "rowdies," black-legs, villians, "cut-throats," or any other pious synonym, you may suggest: They assemble t some neighboring bar-room or livery-stable, where they muster into gangs, then they parade through the streets, either in cavalcades or on foot. Their object, in order to have a good turnout, is to procure the most an emaciated horse prefixed, in which chariot, half-a-dozen fellows dressed in female apparel sit winking at the crowds, and making fools of themselves generally. About forty constitute a fully organized gang. One of these that I saw to-day, I will attempt to describe. A very tall fellow, who was attired as a policeman with a shield made of tin covering the whole of his breast, acted as marshal of the day. He was not like our fat policemen, for I am sure that if the South-sea Islanders were to see him, they would declare him too lean for a good roast. A man of his "build" couldn't arrest a four year-old negro just recovering from the whooping cough, still the thin policeman bore a placard on his shoulders: Wanted immediately for Cuba, fifty abled bodied men, like the specimen, who bears this card." One young man who was three shades darker than charcoal, had on his head a pretty blonde wig. Chinamen, Indians, Irishmen, Dutchmen, and Knights in the middle ages. were represented. Several men were dressedout with bustles, chignons and all the other curiosities of the tender sex. While passing through the avenues, girls threw cats at them from the six-story tenements. They all regarded these freaks as jokes. I have not 'interviewed" the cats on the jokes. They're mum-dead. A very flat nosed scoundrel wore

a negro's wig, which sustained the weight of a beaver smaller than a flour barrel. They raised "Cain" in the streets, and frequently injured persons with their canes and clubs. The boys too, had their sport in this way. Every little fellow that had a sister, made use of her old or new dress, despite her remonstances. Many of them dressed as rag-pickers, having an old bag on their backs, and a basket and an iron hook in their hands. But they could not get the "bend" of the natural rag-picker, whose back has an inclination from carrying heavy loads. I saw more drupken persons vesterday than ever before in New York. I asked one "bummer" if he drinks as much now as before the panic. He looked wise: "You must be a

loon, to ax a honest man sich a question as

that. Don't you know that gin jist tastes as good now as it did before the panie? Gin is gin, even if it has water in it." In the car in which I rode to the City Hall there were a few characters evidently moving in that sphere of life, denominated, humorous. An old woman, who sat opposite to me, held her cloak tightly around her head in order to hide the black eyes, which had been given to her by her husband as remembrances of the glorious 27th of November. She accounted for those dark eyes, in a peculiar way ;-she worked in an ink factory. On my right sata raw country man, and beyond him, his blooming daughter of eighteen "falls." She fell eighteen times, getting into the cars. The countryman had too much gin with him; he was communicative : "Young'un," he said to me, "that's my darter, an' a good gal she is; too. She's been a pesterin' of me to come down here and buy her one of them-what do you call it, Mirander?" "Back-hair," replied the country damsel, blushing as red as a fresh tomato. "Yes; back-ha'r; well, I'm goin' to git them fur her. You oughter see that gal jerk a cow, she kin milk !" I told my loquacious friend that the information afforded me much joy. "That's nuthin'." he continued, "she's smart. Never went to school but two years, an' she knows the multerplicatian-table right through ; an' all about

Christopher Columbis diskiverin' Amerikey,

and about one of the Smiths discoverin'

Pocal ontas in Virginny. She was courtin' a sewing machine agent, what's from the city. I nearly chawed him up, and he's gone."— Having a strong desire to suppress the old man's conversation, I asked him what he man's conversation, I asked him what he thought of the capture of the Virginius. He stared: "Virginius! why, are they fightin' down thar yit!" I left, when I saw him "button-hole" a minister for an explanation. sung.

Here lay your honors down, accept the King.

And with one voice His glorious authem sing. One God—the mighty Ruler of us all, One Saviour—at whose feet we suppliants fall, One Cross—the same the Man of Sorrows bore, One Holy Ghost—the Spirit we adore. Another warning to those men who don't subscribe for their county paper!

Smikes lives down near the City Hall .-His wife loved him, so she testified that love by having something "bracing" for Thanksgiving. Something in the shape of a black bottle. Well, she put that "something" down on the kitchen mantelpiece, and sent Smikes down to wind the clock, before they retired. Smikes was fifteen minutes-City Hall time -winding that clock, still the black bottle

One Father God—one Comforter and Rest— One Love Divine! Thou balm for souls oppressed Shed down Thy Light, our drooping faith in-spire; Be Thou our Christ, our Hope, our Heart's de-sire! was half full next morning.

I asked Smikes' opinion of the Cuba question. He wiped the superfluous tobacco-juice from his mouth and spoke "thusly:" "You mean will we fight them yaller Spaniards? Never will I put myself so low as to fight fel-

lers what calls hats sombreros." Smikes got a good oyster dinner to-day.— He met an Irishman on the corner, with whom he bet that he could tell the age of an oyster by looking into its mouth. The "greenhorn" who doubted his ability, was willing to provide oysters for the extraordinary experiment. He and Smikes entered an oyster saloon, where the waiter was engaged to open them for Smikes' inspection, while "Dinnis" superintended and acted as umpire. Smikes took the oysters, scrutinized them and remarked : "Them two's old; teeth knocked out; and them three is young; they never has teeth at that age." While he made these remarks, he continued to eat the oysters, which were presented for his inspection. When he had eaten about 100 of them, he became anery with the waiter, whom he addressed : "You ain't got no sound oysters in yer place. You seen none of them had any teeth. I'll go where I can git good bivalves." He did go, but left "Dinnis" to settle and quarrel with the waiter about the toothless oysters.

I shall close for the present, but will occasionally report the little excentricities of my honest friend, Mr. Smikes, who, I am sure, is as good a man as any of Deacon Smith's partners, in Cincinnati.

Yours for Cuba or back-pay, EX-HARPER'S FERRIAN.

An American Eye-Witness of the Santiago Massacres.

[From the New York Herald, November 25.] Among the passengers from Havana, on the ast voyage of the mail steamer City of New York was Mr. George W. Sherman, an American citizen, who was present at Santiago de Cuba upon the occasion of the recent frightful massacre of the crew and passengers of the American steamship Virginius. The following is the story given by Mr. Sherman: I have been residing for some time back in Santingo de Cuba, and saw several of the wholesale executions or butcheries. I will give you the following details of the first four men killed, prefacing it with the remark that dilapidated vehicle, generally a carriage, with I saw the Virginius brought into the port of Santiago de Cuba on the evening of the 1st instant, the time being five o'clock, as nearly as I can remember, with the Spanish colors flying. Of course you know all about the hasty trial, and Burriel's excuse for not replying to the urgent letters of Vice Consul Smith, on account of his religious observance of All Saints' day. The slaughter-house where the first butchery took place is about sixteen hundred feet square, which gives a lineal frontage to each side of about four hundred feet. The men in question were placed in front of this place, which is an abode building of about thirteen or fourteen feet in height (in which are embedded thousands of bullets), with an overhanging roof, while on the ground a gutter has been constructed to receive the rain which may trickle from off the roof. Ryan refused to kneel, although repeated efforts were made to make him do so I knew it was Ryan, because he had no beard or mustache. The men were all bound and placed near the gutter just described. After many rounds had been fired the men were considered dead, but it was found that Ryan was not dead, and a sword was plunged into his body but not into his heart as stated. The first blows given were into his abdomen. The soldiers who had been detailed to do this work by General Burriel were wretched marksmen. After this a number of cavalrymen came on the spot and rode their horses over the bleeding corpses till they were in an almost unrecognizable state. The four heads were cut off and placed on poles, and carried around by the people in triumph. The bodies were then, or, rather what remained of them, placed in a cart and taken out to a marshy spot, about a mile from the place of execution, and dumped out like a load of dirt in an open ditch where a few inches of mother earth were, perhaps, placed upon them by order of Burriel; or, perhaps, not. I felt quite ill over the sight of this bloodthirsty work. I, however, endeavored to make some sketches of the harrowing scene, and for this I was arrested and thrown into jail, until I was released after I had been kept for three and a half days in that noisome pen. It made me terribly ill and brought on a relapse of a fever attack from which I had been suffering for some time. I, however, obtained my liberty through the mediation of our Consul General at Havana. I saw, likewise, the second and third executions or butcheries. I believe that the break in the interruption to the telegraph wires was a Spanish ruse of Burriel to allow no communication with the Captain General till the majority of the Virginius people had been shot and he had accomplished his wholesale slaughter without receiving waiting orders from Havana or

> - Lightning struck a telegraph pole, and ran along the wire into the office at Coatsville, Indiana, when the operator, seated at the instrument, excitedly telegraphed back, "Don't send so fast !"

- "Mynheer, do you know for what we call our boy Hans?" Do not really. "Well, I tell you. Der reason dat we call our boy Hane; dat ish his name." -There was a good old lady who had read

the Baptist papers so faithfully that she discharged her laundress for sprinkling her - A panic conundrum .- "How many mills

make a dollar ?"

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For Young Men.

James Parton the noted author, in an article on Charles Brown (Artemus Ward), closes thus, and he gives good advice to young men :

I thought I ought not to conclude this article without letting the reader know why this bright and genial spirit is no longer here to add to the world's amusement. Well, this was the reason: Wherever he lectured, whether in New

England, California or London, there was sure to be a knot of young fellows to gather around him, and go home with him to supper, and spend half the night in telling stories and

singing songs. To any man this will be fatal in time, but when the nightly caronse follows an evening's performance before an audience and if sucperformance before an audience and if succeeded by a railway journey the next day, the waste of vitality is fearfully rapid. Five years of such a life finished poor Charles Brown.—He died in London in 1867, aged thirty-three years, and he now lies buried at the home of

is childhood, in Maine.

He was not a deep drinker. He was not a man of strong appetites. It was the nights wasted in conviviality which his system needed for sleep, that sent him to his grave forty years before his time. For men of his profession and character, for all editors, literary men and artists, there is only one safety, teetotalism. He should have taken the advice of the stage-driver on the plains, to whom he offered some whiskey; and I commend it strongly to the countless hosts who see this

paper every week. "I don't drink-I wont drink, And I don't like to see anybody else drink. I'm of the opinion of those mountains-keep your top cool! They've got snow and I've got brains - that's all the difference."

Good Night.

How tenderly and sweetly falls the gentle 'good night" into loving hearts, as members f a family separate and retire for the night. What myriads of hasty words and thought-less acts, engendered in the hurry and business of the day, are forever blotted out by its benign influence. Small token, indeed; but it is the little courtesies that make up the sum of a happy home. It is only the little courtesies that can so beautifully round off the square corners in the home of laboring men and women:

The simple "I thank you" for a favor re-ceived will fill with happiness the heart of the giver. True wealth is not counted by dollars and cents, but by gratitude and affection of the heart. If a home be happy, it is of heaven the truest earthly symbol. If a home be happy, whether the owners possess a patch of ground or one thousand acres, they are indeed wealthy beyond mathematical calculations. Then how much the more lovingly are the sable folds of night gathering around the happy homes; how much more confidingly do its members repose their weaparagraphs, could not attract notice. After ry bodies in the care of divine goodness, smoothing their over-taxed minds to the livticeable to him. The more he looked at it | ing realities of a beautiful dreamland; awakthe plainer it grew. Finally it glared at him | ing refreshed and invigorated for the coming from the closely printed page. But that was because he was the person particularly interested. Of course it would appear conspicu
And if, during this life, we have faithfully

attended to all these little courtesies, these little soul needs; if we have guarded carefully all "God's hearts" placed in our keeping; at the close of its brief, yet eventful day, how much the easier to bid all our dearly beloved ones a final "good night."

Questions and Answers. A sophist, wishing to puzzle Thales, a Milesian, one of the wisest men of Greece

proposed to him, in rapid succession, these lifficult questions : "What is the oldest of all things?" "God, because he always existed." "What is most beautiful?"

"The world, because it is the work of God." "What is the greatest of all things?" "Space, because it contains all that is cre-"What is quickest of all things?"

"Thought, because in a moment it can fly to the end of the universe." "What is the strongest?" "Necessity, because it makes men face

"What the most difficult?" "To know thyself."

"What the most constant of all things." "Hope, because it remains with man after he has lost every thing else." The philosopher replied to them all without the least hesitation, and with how much

propriety the reader can judge for himself. "A PITY."-John B. Gough delivered a lecture, entitled "Now and Then," in New York a few nights ago, in which he said :

"The purse-bearing scoundrel was often honored, but the moneyless scoundrel was always despised. In some of our cities it was scarcely possible to convict a man with money of crime. He did not believe in hanging s man, but he asked did they ever hear of a poor man who had three trials for murder? The question was not one of right or wrong. guilt of innocence; but of wealth and poverty. They could point out men whose lives were gross, with no redeeming qualities of education, personal beauty or refinement, who were judges, magistrates, members of Con-gress, and who were admitted into society into which the poor man dared not almost look. Men who are often judged by the money they possessed; ministers of the Gospel prostrated themselves before it; the churches were fishing to catch the moneyed man, while the poor man was allowed to go

by with indifference-sometimes even worse. A JUROR EXCUSED .- Recently a juror approached the Clerk of the Supreme Judicial Court and stated that it would be impossible

for him to serve. "Why not?" inquired the Clerk.

"Because I'm deaf," responded the juror. The Clerk had reason for incredutlty, and so informed the deaf man in a whisper that he would report his case to the Judge. Turning to his honor he said : "Mr. Badmah, of Manchester, desires to be excused."

"What are his reasons?" asked his honor, without raising his eyes from the paper he was reading.
"He says he is deaf," replied the Clerk.

"He is excused," said the Judge quickly; "if he is deaf, we don't want him; if he is a liar, we don't want him."

Mr. Badman is at home now.

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ginius was a roamer.

The committee vanished.

[Nashua Telegroph;